

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1 – 39 (*Cancelled*)

40. (New) A structure, comprising:

a light transmissive dielectric layer having a planar surface portion disposed above, and substantially vertically aligned with, an underlying reflective patterned conductive line, the light transmissive dielectric layer further having a non-planar portion, and a non-planar non-light-transmissive region disposed on the non-planar portion of the light transmissive dielectric layer.

41. (New) The structure of Claim 40, wherein the non-light-transmissive region includes a non-planar anti-reflective layer embedded therein.

42. (New) The structure of Claim 41, wherein the anti-reflective layer comprises a material selected from the group consisting of amorphous silicon and silicon oxynitride.

43. (New) The structure of Claim 42, wherein the dielectric layer is disposed over a semiconductor wafer.

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In this preliminary amendment, claims 1 – 39 have been cancelled from the Specification. Claims 40 – 43 are presented for examination.

Applicants believe the claims are allowable and request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued.

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